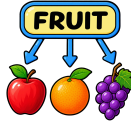
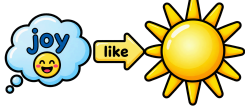


## Types of Context Clues

| Type of clue         | What it means                                                                                 |                                                                                      | What to look for                                                                                                                                               |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. <u>General</u>    | Several details work together to reveal the meaning.                                          |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What kind of word or phrase is this?</li> <li>What are the details that help me create a picture in my mind?</li> </ul> |
| 2. <b>Definition</b> | The author tells what the word means.                                                         |   | Signal words:<br><i>means, is defined as, is called</i>                                                                                                        |
| 3. <b>Visual</b>     | A picture or graphic helps explain the word.                                                  |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>photograph</li> <li>diagram</li> <li>map</li> <li>chart</li> </ul>                                                      |
| 4. <b>Example</b>    | The author names specific examples of the word.                                               |   | Signal words:<br><i>for example, such as, including</i>                                                                                                        |
| 5. <b>Comparison</b> | The author compares the word or idea to something familiar.                                   |   | Signal words:<br><i>like, similar to, both, just as</i>                                                                                                        |
| 6. <b>Contrast</b>   | The author provides a contrasting idea or a word with an opposite meaning ( <b>antonym</b> ). |  | Signal words:<br><i>but, however, unlike, although</i>                                                                                                         |
| 7. <b>Synonym</b>    | A nearby word or phrase has the same or almost the same meaning.                              |  | Signal words:<br><i>or, also called, sometimes called</i>                                                                                                      |

